

CARS CARRIER

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

November 2018 Newsletter

CARS Web Site --- <http://www.wa4usn.org>

CARS meets the second Monday of each month at the Golden Corral near Tanger Mall.

Our next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM, Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018



DUES FOR THE YEAR AUGUST 1, 2018 – JULY 31, 2019 ARE PAST DUE

\$20.00/Year, \$10.00 for each additional member in the same household. Please make check payable to CARS. You may pay at the meeting or mail to membership chairman: **Bryce Myers, K4LXF, 2630 Dellwood Ave., North Charleston, SC 29405-6814**

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Those of you that are ARRL members should have received the ballots for the Roanoke Division Director and Vice-Director election by now. If you've cast your vote and mailed the ballot back in, excellent! If not, I encourage you to do so. In order to be counted, ballots must be received (not postmarked) by November 16.

The 2018 Hurricane season is winding down and will be officially over in a few more weeks. Thanks to all of you who volunteered for ARES activations as well as the events we help out with.

In a few months, the 2019 Charleston Hamfest will be upon us. An idea proposed at the October meeting was to have a Go Kit exhibit, which I think is an excellent idea. Do you have a Go Kit? Want to build one? Have an interesting portable set up that you'd like to show off? One year at the Atlanta Hamfest, when I was a new ham, I saw a neat looking radio set up that someone had built into an extra large mail box. At the time I didn't know it was a Go Kit, just that it was pretty cool looking.

After 14 years of doing the club newsletter, John Meyers/WA4GPS, has decided to step down as Newsletter Editor. I'd like to thank him for all the work he's put into the club newsletter. If anyone is interested in taking on the position of CARS Newsletter Editor, send me an email.

Feel free to send me any comments, suggestions, and/or questions to CARSinfo@wa4usn.org, or to my personal email, eugenemah@gmail.com. If you're on Facebook, there's a CARS group page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups.WA4USN/>. We also have the @WA4USN account on Twitter that you can follow as well.

73, Eugene, AB4UG

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Still a month left in Hurricane season – 30 November 2018. And we have a storm forming in the Atlantic. The early forecast for Hurricane Oscar is it will stay out to sea but Hurricane Florence was predicted to stay at sea too this early. Stay aware as time progresses.

Had a successful Technician class at Seabrook Island and got 10 new hams from it. Some CERT members and some Firemen from St. John's Fire Department. Welcome them to the hobby when you hear the new call signs on the air.

The hours of daylight are getting shorter as winter approaches and darkness will be normal mornings and evenings so watch out for the pedestrians, kids and school buses, and general traffic. Also temperature's are dropping and coats and hats can limit visibility and movement.

For those interested, Charleston County is sponsoring a class on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) designed for people working in the area and with folks that have disabilities. Date and times: December 3, 2018 Two times 1000 and 1330. Location: Lonnie Hamilton bldg on Bridge View rd. off of Leeds Ave. by Sheriff's Office. I have more info if interested.

Remember the time shift back to Standard time is coming up and the holidays Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc will bring tourist's back to our roadways so drive carefully.

Until next month, 73, Rick Valentine, N8BKN

SEPT. FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Checking Balance - 9/1/18	\$5,370.36
Cash Receipts:	
Dues	1,735.00
Memberships	180.00
Raffle Proceeds	43.00
Cash Disbursements:	
John Meyers - September CARS Carrier	(13.68)
Jenny Myers - Postage, Copies of Rosters	(84.34)
ARRL - 1 Membership	(47.00)
Bank Fee	(10.00)
Ending Checking Balance - 9/30/18	\$7,173.34

Charlotte, KJ4PLX

MINUTES of OCT. MEETING

Charleston Amateur Radio Society

Club Meeting at Golden Corral near Tanger Mall,
Monday, Oct. 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES:

The Charleston Amateur Radio Society, Inc. meeting was called to order by the President Eugene Mah, AB4UG, at 7:03 PM on Monday Oct. 8, 2018 at the **Golden Corral** in North Charleston, SC.

Introductions: There were 39 people present.

Secretary's Minutes: Warren, KK4EVI
The Sept. 2018 meeting minutes were published in the Oct. 2018 CARS Carrier. A motion was made to

accept the minutes as published, the motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Charlotte, KJ4PLX
The Aug. 2018 Financial Report was published in the Oct. 2018 newsletter and accepted as information.

Museum Ships: Tom, AJ4UQ & Jim, KW4UL

The Yorktown Radio Room operating day will be the third Saturday of the month. Approximate time is 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

Field Day: Jim, KW4UL

No report.

Races: Doug, KU4OC

Thanked everyone that helped with the IOP Run. Event went well.

Next event will be the Cooper River Bridge Run around April 6th.

The CF Ride went well except the 100 mile event that was canceled due to rain.

Hamfest Report: Steve, KE4THX

Nothing special. Brian, KN4EXJ, suggested having a To-Go-Kit contest. May give others ideas for their To-Go-Kits.

Repeater Report: Bryce, K4LXF

A club member has donated equipment to the club. Bryce would like to form a committee to collect, inventory and what to do with equipment.

Adams Run repeater was not linking up correctly. Problem hopefully found and corrected.

MUSC repeater was not working, found breaker tripped, reset and repeater working now. The repeater is now on emergency power circuit.

Membership: Bryce, K4LXF

Yearly dues are due again, for year 2019.

New applications for membership:

First Reading: Tom Valenzia KJ6YRN

Second Reading: John Oakes, KD4IYN

John was voted on and welcomed into the Club.

Emergency Prep: Rick, N8BKN, Charleston; John, W4HNC, Dorchester; Linda, KJ4EUV, Berkeley

Next Charleston ARES meeting on October 20th at the St. Andrews Public Service Building at 09:00 AM.

Hurricane Florence was last month, gone but not forgotten.

Hurricane Michael Tropical storm here in Charleston, may have coastal flooding Wednesday and/or Thursday, should be gone by about 1:00 PM Thursday.

During emergency events, state wide linkup should be: VHF used for tactical EOC and government. UHF should be used by Hospitals and medical teams. The Low County Linked up system should be as normal.

The DMR went to emergency mode, State Guard took control.

Newsletter/Website: John, WA4GPS

Nothing to report.

Education & VE Testing: Sheila, KT4YW

The next scheduled testing should be October 13th at 9:00 AM at the Tall Pines Baptist Church. The church is located on 645 Treeland Drive, near the American Biker store.

There will be an open Technician course held in Sea Brook on October 24 and 25th.

There will also be a course on ICS forms put on by DEHEC on October 30, contact Rick, N8BKN for more details.

School Programs: Alene, KG4NKD - DuBose Middle School Radio Club - K4DMS

No report.

School Clubs: Tom, AJ4UQ - School Radio Club - K4PSA

School Club Round-Up scheduled for next week, listen for new call signs.

Communications Trailer: Willie, WB4SOG

No report.

Old Business:

New Business:

Bryce, K4LXF asked to be paid back for storage shed rental, for donated Ham Equipment. Voted on and approved.

Steven, KE4THX, suggested having some sort of presentation at the Club meetings, every month or so, as long as there is interest.

Announcements:

ARRL elections going on, ballots need to be received by November 16. Don't forget to get your vote in the mail.

Hurricane Michael in the Gulf, may cause problem here. Check your equipment.

Drawing:

David, K8UM, won the drawing for a one-year ARRL membership, already a Life member so he was offered the cash.

Being no further business, at 7:48 PM, a motion was made, seconded and passed to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Warren, KK4EVI

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